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Washington, D.C. 20530

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Re: CRM-201300395F
KWC:CPS

Dear Ms. O'Brien:

This is in response to your pending Freedom of Information Act request in this Office, which is assigned file number CRM-201300395F.

With regard to the portion of your request for records concerning Assistant United States Attorneys, The Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) is the U.S. Department of Justice component responsible for responding to Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act requests for information maintained by U.S. Attorneys' Offices. Hence, your request has been routed to EOUSA for processing and a direct response to you. You should contact EOUSA directly at the following address if you have any questions about the status of your routed request.

FOIA/Privacy Staff
Executive Office for United States Attorneys
U.S. Department of Justice
600 E Street, NW, Room 7300
Washington, DC 20530-0001

With regard to the portion of your request pertaining to attorneys in the Criminal Division, the records you seek require a search in another Section of the Criminal Division, and so your request presents "unusual circumstances" under the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. 552 § (a)(6)(B)(i)-(iii). Because of these unusual circumstances, we need to extend the twenty day time limit to respond to your request beyond the ten additional days provided by the statute. The time needed to complete our processing of your request will necessarily depend on the complexity of our records search and on the volume and complexity of any records located. In an effort to facilitate our records search, you may wish to narrow the scope of your request to limit the number of potentially responsive records or agree to an alternative time frame for processing, should records be located; or you may wish to await the completion of our records search to discuss either of these options.

We have not yet made a decision on your request for a fee waiver. We will do so after we determine whether fees will be assessed for this request. As a "representative of the news

media,” you will not be charged search fees. In your letter you agreed to pay fees up to \$100 in the event that a fee waiver is not granted.

You can contact this Office at (202) 616-0307 if you would like to discuss your request. Thank you for your interest in the Criminal Division.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cynthia Summerfelt". To the right of the signature is a small, stylized mark that appears to be "for".

Kenneth Courter
Acting Chief
FOIA/PA Unit